SEXUAL OFFENDERS ASSESSMENT BOARD WORKSHOP

TITLE: Adolescent Sex Offender Issues

DATE: Friday, January 7, 2011

LOCATION: Harrisburg Holiday Inn & Conference Center

I-83 and PA Turnpike, New Cumberland, PA 17070

Hotel Reservations: 717-774-2721

PRESENTER: David S. Prescott, LICSW

David Prescott has worked in and around inpatient settings since 1984, and specifically with individuals who have sexually abused since 1987. He has a strong interest in sharing resources, networking, and training to increase knowledge in these fields. Specifically, his clinical and training interests focus on motivational enhancement, developing and maintaining therapeutic relationships, and assessing treatment progress.

He currently serves as Clinical Director for the Becket Family of Services, which provides treatment for troubled youth in Maine and New Hampshire. Prior to his move to New England, he served as the Clinical Director at the Minnesota Sex Offender Program in Moose Lake, Minnesota and Treatment Assessment Director at the Sand Ridge Secure Treatment Center in Mauston, Wisconsin. In this position, he oversaw the progress of patients and groups of patients and coordinates an early stage of the conventional treatment track.

Mr. Prescott has published articles on risk assessment, interviewing, and providing residential treatment to youth, and is the author, editor, and co-editor of recent books on people who have sexually abused. He has presented on these topics around North America and in Europe.

He is the Immediate Past President of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA), and former editor of that organization's newsletter, The Forum. He is a charter member of the International Association for the Treatment of Sex Offenders and has also served on the board of directors for Stop It Now!, an organization dedicated to the prevention of sexual abuse. Mr. Prescott is also a member of the Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers (MINT), an international organization devoted to a client-centered, directive method for enhancing intrinsic motivation to change by exploring and resolving ambivalence. He is on the International Advisory Board for the Journal of Sexual Aggression and a Section Editor for the formative journal Motivational Interviewing: Training, Research, Implementation, Practice.

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of the workshop participants will be able to:

- 1. Describe three recent research related to assessment and treatment of juveniles.
- 2. Discuss the qualities of an effective professional working with juveniles that have sexually abused.
- 3. Explore and discuss at least three key principles, techniques and skills in working with juveniles who have sexually abused, including motivational enhancement.

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WORKSHOP SCHEDULE:

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.	Registration
8:30 – 10:15 a.m.	 Historical overview and current research findings What works and doesn't work with adolescents
10:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Break
10:30 – 12 Noon	 Current controversies: polygraph, plethysmograph, and risk assessment Review of audience needs (group treatment scenarios, co-morbid conditions, etc.)
12 Noon – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 – 2:15 p.m.	 Discuss phase system of treatment Motivational enhancement/interviewing principles
2:15 – 2:30 p.m.	Break
2:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Motivational enhancement/interviewing
3:30 p.m.	Adjourn

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